## The Microbe Blotter: Multiple Arrests Made

## A Patient with Fever after Chemotherapy

# (PART 2)

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## Human parvovirus B19

- Small, non-envelope, single stranded DNA virus (*Parvoviridae*)
- Extremely resistant to physical inactivation
- Important viral proteins structural proteins VP1, VP2,

- nonstructural proteins NS1, 11kDa, 7.5kDa





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#### Virus entrance into a host cell



- 1. Attachment
- 2. Penetration
- 3. DNA replication
- 4. Protein translation
- 5. Assembly of virions
- 6. Cell lysis

### Factors responsible for tropism of B19 infection

• Receptor **P antigen** (globoside, Gb4): binding

{Brown KE, Anderson SM, Young NS; 1993}

 Co-receptors: binding and entry α5/β1-integrin Ku80

{Kirsten A et al; 2003}

{Munakata Y et al; 2005}

• Erythroid progenitor cells (EPCs)



#### **B19 replication is occurs in the cell nucleus**



#### P antigen is present also on non-erythroid cells

P antigen (Gb4) expression



- megakaryocytes
- endothelial cells
- placenta
- fetal liver
- heart cells

#### Not all P antigen-expressing cells are permissive to infection by B19

#### Human hematopoietic cell lines



Level of P antigen expression does not correlate with the efficiency of viral binding



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- Circulating angiogenic cells (CACs)

#### CACs – receptor & co-receptors



eo-EPCs = early outgrowth epithelial progenitor cells ECFCs = endothelial colony-forming cells CFU Hill = colony-forming unit Hill KDR = kinase insert domain receptor

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# How...?



1. Virus internalization into the cell

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# THE MICROBE BLOTTER

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#### S phase

DNA is replicated

#### G<sub>2</sub> phase

- Preparation for mitosis
- Rapid cell growth and protein synthesis
- the end of G<sub>2</sub> phase and mitotic entry is determined by a threshold level of active cyclin B1/CDK1 complex

# NS1 and 11kDa protein induce cell cycle arrest



#### NS1-induced G<sub>2</sub> phase arrest & ATR-CDK1 pathway



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No neutralizing antibody Chronic red cell aplasia



Young NS and Brown KE, N Engl J Med. 2004; 350:586-597

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Immunocompetent individuals

• non-symptomatic

B19 mostly in tissues than in bone marrow No viremia or anti-B19 IgM Virus persist without replicating

symptomatic
Myocarditis, cardiomyopathy
Chronic arthropathy
Liver failure

### Chronic red cell aplasia

- In immunocompromised patients
- Depletion of erythroid precursors in bone marrow
- Symptoms are generally not present



#### More common long-term persistency of B19 is in non-erythroid cells/tissues

# Cardiomyopathy

- B19 is a common pathogen in microvascular disease and cardiomyopathy
- Bone marrow-derived circulating angiogenic cells (CACs) = similarity with EPCs

CACs are characterized by surface antigen expression:

**CD34** – hematopoietic marker

**KDR** (kinase insert domain receptor) – endothelial marker

### **Cardiomyopathy and CACs**



#### **B19 induces apoptosis of CACs in cardiomyopathic patients**





#### **Persistent B19 infection & diseases**

 In 13 of 50 (26%) bone marrow samples from rheumatic patients indicating persistent infection

{Lundqvist A et al; 2005}

 Low-level viral gene expression occurs in some persistently infected cells Bone marrow Heart Kidney Liver – chronic hepatitis Lymphoid Thyroid tissues

> {Mogensen TH et al; 2010} {Adamson-Small LA et al; 2014}

presence of B19V DNA in blood not necessarily correlates with active B19 replication

# **Summary**



